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Chapter 2. Principal Leadership Academy

IC 20-20-2-1

"Academy"

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "academy" refers to the principal leadership academy established by section 3 of this chapter. *As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.4.*

IC 20-20-2-2

"Advisory board"

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "advisory board" refers to the advisory board for the principal leadership academy established by this chapter.

As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.4.

IC 20-20-2-3

Establishment

Sec. 3. The principal leadership academy is established within the department to achieve excellence in teacher and student performance by strengthening leadership and management skills of practicing Indiana public school principals.

As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.4.

IC 20-20-2-4

Appointment of director and staff; annual report

Sec. 4. (a) The state superintendent shall:

- (1) appoint a full-time director to administer the academy;
- (2) employ staff necessary to implement this chapter;
- (3) appoint members of the advisory board; and
- (4) submit to the general assembly an annual report before July 1 of each year.
- (b) The annual report of the state superintendent must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 and must include the following:
 - (1) A summary of the activities of the academy.
 - (2) Data on the number of persons trained.
 - (3) An analysis of the extent to which the purposes of the academy have been accomplished.
 - (4) A proposal for a program and budget for the two (2) years following the year that is the subject of the report.

As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.4.

IC 20-20-2-5

Advisory board; members; duties; appointments; expenses and per diem

- Sec. 5. (a) There is established an advisory board for the academy to advise and assist the director appointed under section 4 of this chapter.
- (b) The advisory board consists of nine (9) members appointed by the state superintendent. Each of the following groups must be

represented by at least one (1) member of the advisory board:

- (1) Practicing public school principals.
- (2) Members of the general assembly.
- (3) Experts in administration, supervision, curriculum development, or evaluation who are members of the faculty of a state supported university.
- (4) Practicing school superintendents.
- (5) Practicing public school teachers.
- (6) Members of the business or industry community.
- (7) Parents of public school age children.
- (c) The advisory board shall:
 - (1) annually elect a chairperson;
 - (2) advise the director about the curriculum of the academy;
 - (3) review the plan developed by the director under section 6 of this chapter;
 - (4) approve an evaluation plan for the academy;
 - (5) review the director's plan for continuing education;
 - (6) review the academy budget and make recommendations to the director;
 - (7) set criteria for the selection of academy participants;
 - (8) review the operation of the academy and make recommendations to the director;
 - (9) assist the director in compiling an annual report for submission to the state superintendent;
 - (10) consider coordinating the programs and curriculum offered at the academy with the programs and curriculum required in principal certification programs offered at institutions of higher education in Indiana; and
 - (11) complete other tasks requested of the advisory board by the state superintendent.
- (d) Each member of the advisory board serves a four (4) year term beginning on May 1 in the year the member is appointed.
- (e) The state superintendent shall fill a vacancy on the advisory board:
 - (1) for the unexpired part of the term; and
 - (2) in a manner that preserves the composition of the advisory board under subsection (b).
- (f) Each member of the advisory board who is not a member of the general assembly is not entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is, however, entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties, as provided in the state travel policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.
- (g) Each member of the advisory board who is a member of the general assembly is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid to members of the general assembly serving on interim study committees established by the legislative council.

As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.4.

IC 20-20-2-6

Plan for development of skills and performance

- Sec. 6. (a) The director of the academy shall, with staff support, develop a plan to accomplish the goals of the academy. The plan must be approved by the advisory board and must include procedures to teach principals the following:
 - (1) How to develop the leadership skills and management techniques necessary for providing quality education in Indiana schools
 - (2) How to improve teacher and student performance.
 - (3) How to strengthen communication and leadership skills required for the establishment of a broad based support for public education.
 - (4) Management skills for use in improving curriculum and instruction.
 - (5) How to improve the school environment.
- (b) The director of the academy shall, with staff support, and subject to approval by the advisory board, develop a plan for continuing education by the academy of public school principals who have completed initial training at the academy.

As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.4.

IC 20-20-2-7

Admission to academy

Sec. 7. To be eligible for admission to the academy, a participant must be a practicing public school principal for a public school located in Indiana. Admission preference must be given to those school principals who have at least three (3) years of administrative experience in Indiana public schools and intend to continue as public school principals.

As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.4.